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NO. 8

PROCEEDINGS OF THE CITY BOARD OF TRUSTEES

The city board of trustees met in regular session in the city hall last Monday evening.

The surrender of Frank P. Dougherty's class A liquor license for the bar at the Grand Hotel on San Bruno road was accepted and the license granted to William D. Lynch.

A communication was received from Hose Company No. 1, in reference to equipping the fire department with an auto fire truck.

Referred to the president of the board.

A communication was received from H. Speros, asking the board if it intended to allow another laundry building to be erected in this city.

Action suspended and the matter laid over one week.

A communication was received from the Southern Pacific Company stating that the water lot it owned along its right of way between Grand and Baden avenues would be attended to and filled soon.

The D. O. Church Company was released from signing a contract for improving a tract of land on the state highway, near Baden crossing, owing to error in description.

An ordinance regulating public dances by permitting them to run not later than 12 midnight Saturday nights was adopted.

A request for more street lights along Railroad avenue by P. Mairani was referred to the light committee.

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BARGAIN SALE OF PIPES CIGARS, CIGARETTES AND TOBACCO

John Marley, at 207 Grand avenue, is selling out his line of pipes, cigars and tobacco, which must be disposed of not later than February 24th. Call and see the splendid bargains you can obtain. Pipes, 20 per cent lower than usual and material reductions on cigars, cigarettes and tobacco. Mr. Marley has sold his pool and billiard business and now is your time to take advantage of this splendid opportunity.

Don't forget. These bargains can only be had until February 24th. Investigate, and then users of these articles will surely buy. Advt.

Miss A. Vandenbos, graduate of the Conservatory of Music in Brussels, will give music lessons on the piano and harp at Linden Hotel. Lessons \$1. Advt.

LOCAL HAPPENINGS TOLD IN BRIEF

Joe Vieira is confined to his bed ill. Ernest Galli has an infection on the left hand.

Constable Landini of Daly City was a visitor here on Friday.

R. Brown of San Mateo was a visitor here on Thursday.

The new Carmody building on Linden avenue is nearing completion. J. Bridgewater and family of this city moved last Saturday to Redwood City.

Marshal H. W. Kneese made a business trip to Redwood City on Thursday.

Walter Money Jr. is confined to his home with an infection of the left hand.

Last Tuesday a Moreland truck was here demonstrating its ability as a fire truck.

A. Schoenborn was operated on at the local hospital by Dr. Dolley this morning.

Neal Taylor and wife have purchased the Lopez cottage at No. 459 Baden avenue.

The case of Plymire vs. Silvernail was dismissed in Judge Davis' court on Friday at San Bruno.

The city is having culverts put in at the old Baden bridge, which was washed out by the last storm.

A dance will be given by Grace Church Guild on next Friday evening in Guild Hall. Admission 25 cents.

The concrete walls are all completed on the new garage at the corner of Linden and Commercial avenues.

Frank Giffra is having his lot on Baden avenue, between Maple and Linden, graded for a foundation for a new house.

D. Johnson, formerly a steel worker at the local plant, who has been in Los Angeles for some time, arrived here on Tuesday.

The large 750-horsepower motor on the 22-inch mill at the local steel plant was started on Tuesday and ran very successfully.

Mrs. J. Vaccari, who has been seriously ill for the past nine days, is improving rapidly. She is under the care of Dr. L. J. Flanagan.

Workmen were busy this week removing the fence from the old baseball park and storing the lumber in the lumber yard until another location can be had.

Arrangements are about complete for the benefit dance which will be given by the young folks of All Souls' Church on February 26th in Metropolitan Hall. Good music. Admission 25 cents.

Died—In this city, February 18, 1916, Bruno Micheletti, son of Mr. and Mrs. R. Micheletti of Colma, aged 7 years 7 months and 22 days. The funeral will take place at the Italian cemetery to-morrow.

The local lodge of Foresters, Court Violet, No. 1453, will give its third annual St. Patrick's dance in Metropolitan Hall on Friday evening, March

CHARACTER OF REGISTRATIONS IN THIS CITY TO DATE

The political complexion of registrations in this city for this year up to the hour of closing last evening follows: Republican, 168; democrat, 63; declines, 30; progressive, 15; socialist, 3; no party, 2; non-partisan, 1.

The registration clerks in this city are F. A. Cunningham, postoffice building, and City Clerk W. J. Smith, city hall.

17th. Good union music. Admission 50 cents, ladies complimentary.

A moving picture concern of San Francisco was here on Thursday taking pictures of Grand avenue and the workers getting off the cars. The pictures will be shown at the local theatre.

Mortimore Flanagan, who was struck by a San Mateo car near Colma last Monday night and had both legs badly broken, died in this city last Wednesday. His body was removed to Laswell's undertaking parlors, where an inquest was held.

Fire! Fire! Hose Company No. 2 is going to have a good time for everybody on March 4th. Its second annual grand ball is around again. Come and enjoy yourselves. Good music. Dancing all night. Admission 50 cents, ladies complimentary.

Last Wednesday Al Augustine, while riding a motorcycle on Baden avenue at about 8 p. m., ran into a rock pile near the school house and was thrown about fifty feet, sustaining a broken nose, broken jaw and other bruises. He was removed to the Dolley hospital and is getting along as well as can be expected.

Mrs. J. Fourcans received a letter from J. Laborde, dated Post Aux Armees, January 26, 1916, which says he is at the present time in the post-office department and has been for the past three months. He cannot tell when he will be moved. He is a conductor in the eighteenth infantry of the first battalion. He sends everybody here his best regards and hopes to see them again.

A most delightful evening was spent at the Fourcans' home at 319 Linden avenue on the evening of February 8th, in honor of Miss Amelie Fourcans' nineteenth birthday. Games of progressive whist were indulged in until a late hour, after which a sumptuous repast was served. Among those present were: Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Fuller, Mr. and Mrs. P. Fourie, Misses Minnie Foley, Mildred Foley, Mary Carmody, Helen Carmody, Alice McGrath, Maybelle Spellman and Amelie Fourcans, Messrs. Art Steele, Thomas Brady, John Foley, Thomas Spellman, Henry Hyland, Charles Storek, Etienne Fourcans and Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Fourcans.

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HIGH SCHOOL PLAY

Tickets will be on sale in a few days for the 1916 high school play.

The giving of a play has become an annual event in the history of South San Francisco high school, and our citizens look forward to its production with increasing interest each year.

This year's play, "A Strenuous Life," by Richard Walton Tully, is by far the best play they have yet attempted, and we believe it will be much appreciated by a South San Francisco audience.

Ralph Woodman, who took a prominent part in last year's play, is the leading man, Tom Harrington, a college senior in many difficulties.

Newton Fields takes the part of Reginald Black, Tom's true friend and staunch supporter.

James Bridgewater, who was so well received as the college dig last year, will appear as Dan Davenant, a rich miner from Angels Camp, and with him will appear Emma Johnson as his stylish daughter, Marian.

Mrs. Wiggington Wiggins, a coquettish widow and keeper of the boarding house, is played by Helen Carmody, while Florence Brawn takes the part of her niece, Ruth Thornton.

The part of James Wobberts, a green freshman, who is compelled to act as a professor, is played by Byrne McSweeney, while that of Professor James, a new professor, who is made to appear as a freshman, is taken by Charles Sands.

Joe Mahoney as Byron Harrington, Tom's father, who "had no such chances when he was a boy," and his charming young daughter, Dulcie, Clairina Raefelli, are new to the stage, but are doing excellent work, as is Angelo Scampini as Professor Magee of the college gymnasium.

Other minor parts are played by Myrtle Kiessling and Marcus Dowd, and last but not least important is James Smith as Nugata, the Japanese schoolboy, who can only say "yis."

With a well-written play, full of laughs and fine situations and so capable a cast, there is no doubt that those who attend will feel well paid for their time and money.

RAINFALL IN THIS CITY.

The data of rainfall in this city kept by G. W. Holston, local Southern Pacific agent, for this season to date is as follows:

Date.	Inches.
Nov. 30, total for month.....	1.30
Dec. 31, total for month.....	9.37
January 31, total for month.....	18.91
February 3.....	.02
February 4.....	.60
February 5.....	1.01
February 8.....	.14

Total for season to date..... 31.35
Total to February 20, 1915..... 22.09

NO OPPOSITION TO PRESENT CITY ADMINISTRATION

In a few weeks the terms of City Trustees G. W. Holston, J. C. McGovern and J. H. Kelley and City Clerk W. J. Smith and City Treasurer E. P. Kauffmann will expire.

Up to this writing, no one has publicly announced himself as a candidate at the April city election for any of these offices. The good work that the present administration has accomplished creates the impression that there will be no one to seek any of those positions.

Trustee G. W. Holston is a man of ripened judgment and has made a fair, unprejudiced and consistent official, always looking after the material welfare of this industrial city.

The same opinion can be given of Trustees McGovern and Kelley. Citizens generally are favorable to the re-election of the three trustees whose terms will expire in April, as the board has considerable unfinished city improvement work on its hands which can be finished by the present board familiar with it.

City Clerk W. J. Smith has made a splendid record as a city official. He has been clerk practically ever since the city was incorporated. There has not even been a hint of any one opposing him for re-election to that office.

That E. P. Kauffmann for city treasurer will be re-elected is a foregone conclusion, as he has made a success in that office, and he has a high standing in financial circles as to probity and reliability.

The two members of the board who will serve two years more are F. A. Cunningham and G. W. Wallace.

HERBERT WOODMAN PASSES AT ANNAPOLIS

Herbert S. Woodman, son of Mr. and Mrs. E. I. Woodman of this city, passed the semi-annual examinations held in the naval academy at Annapolis, Md., during the latter part of January. He entered the fourth class last October, after serving nearly a year in the navy in the orient, through appointment by Secretary of the Navy Daniels. Prior to enlistment he graduated from the local grammar school and attended the high school in San Mateo for three years.

Some household furniture for sale at my residence, 557 Grand avenue. Mrs. J. D. Maule. Advt.

THE MONTH of February is "THRIFT MONTH."

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CLUB AND SOCIETY NOTES.

Our readers are respectfully asked to furnish The Enterprise with items of club, social or personal nature that they know of for publication.

The Woman's Club meets on the first and third Thursdays of each month at Lodge Hall, Metropolitan building, at 2:30 p. m.

PENNIES BIGGER THAN DOLLARS.

If you were to travel from Canada to the gulf, from the Atlantic to the Pacific, we doubt if you could find anywhere traits of character more admirable than those possessed by our own home people.

And yet even we are not free from many of the vagaries that beset human nature, and especially is this the case in determining the relative value of the penny and the dollar.

Not long ago a warm personal friend dropped a penny in a puddle of soft mud. It was only a penny, worth but one cent, yet our friend promptly dove into the ooze and rescued that penny and restored it to the safety of his pocket. He felt better after the ordeal.

In the back yard of that same friend was a lawn mower of expensive make rusting its life away in the rain when it might just as well have been oiled up and put away in a dry place to await the coming of the green grass of spring. The expensive lawn mower represented only an expenditure of dollars, while the penny was cash in the puddle of mud.

Another admirable friend, noted for his acute business acumen, will walk from one end of town to the other in order to save a penny in the price of a 25-cent article. It is good business. But we have noticed valuable machinery and implements belonging to that man standing out in all kinds of weather, the iron accumulating the rust that ends in gradual disintegration and the woodwork rotting from constant exposure. A penny saved and dollars rotting and rusting away.

We might go on and enumerate cases by the dozens, cases of people known to you all. The story is much the same wherever you go or turn.

The immediate penny is saved at the expense of the dollar of to-morrow. We fish around in the slimy ooze in search of the dropped penny, consuming our time and energy for a paltry cent, when by a little effort and forethought we should be prolonging the life and usefulness of articles that cost many dollars.

The value of a dollar is a hundred times that of a penny, and yet there are times in the lives of all of us when we give more heed to the penny than we see than we do to the dollar that we feel.

But then these are just a few of the vagaries of human nature, and we are all intensely human.

OUR HOMES AND OUR PEOPLE.

The home life of this community is an indication of the character and makeup of the people who constitute the community.

Of course you will find exceptions to every rule of life, but it is an indisputable fact that the home life of this town is one of the brightest spots in our existence.

We have been in a majority of the local homes, and in almost every case we have found a spirit of happiness, contentment and thrift prevailing seven days in the week. We have found amicable relations existing between the heads of families; we have found strong indications of filial respect and devotion on the part of children for their parents; we have

found a spirit of love and comradeship existing one toward another.

It speaks volumes for the homes, the people and the community. It indicates that we have a people who are above the average in intelligence, moving in an atmosphere that elevates instead of destroys.

In the business house and the offices, in the factories and in the shops, we find a consistent desire to be fair-minded and just in the commercial affairs of the day. That craving to "skin the other fellow" so prevalent in some communities is happily absent here. Our people are moving steadily and persistently and consistently onward and upward and to better things and to a greater future.

Such is the spirit of this community as we find it in our daily rounds. It is a condition of which we are proud, of which every citizen should be proud.

It is the mirror which reflects the inner life of our homes and our people.

EDITORIAL NOTES.

Health hint for to-day: Keep healthy.

Query of the ages: Why does one woman kiss another when so many willing men are waiting to be sacrificed?

The wise man buys his home paper. The foolish one borrows it from his neighbor and thereby advertises his lack of wisdom.

This is to be a great year politically, but of course it will not be permitted to interfere with baseball or fishing.

When you meet a grouch on the street, smile at him; if you see him in church, sing to him; when he is at home, feed him; if he creeps into heaven—but he won't.

There are lots of good things we could say about this town—things that we have said before, and expect to say again. But we would like to hear a few warbles from your own lips. Tune up!

Young men—baldheads—men of every variety! We solemnly warn you to avoid the perils of the fashionable bathing beaches next summer. Fashion has decreed that the skirt to feminine costumes will reach at least three to four inches below the waist line. Again, beware!

A friend thought to take a furl out of us the other day by insisting that no spot in heaven is suitable for editors. Exactly right. When an editor gets such hell continually in this world he is entitled to something even better than heaven in the next.

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BUY AT HOME.

It is remarkable how the home industry idea is spreading throughout the country, and, in fact, throughout the world.

A number of middle western and eastern states are following in the footsteps of California in advocating the buy-at-home movement.

Despite this interest, Californians spend millions of dollars outside of the state each year for goods that can be and are produced just as well at home.

When a man sets up a store in a town, it benefits every human being in that town. He may employ but one man, but this man must live near his store, buy the necessities and many of the luxuries of life, pay rent, consume light, purchase clothing and fuel, and, in fact, pay at least 60 per cent of the money he receives from his good right in that town.

Provided this merchant can supply you with goods of equal price and quality with competitors from other sections, he certainly deserves your support.

Now suppose this merchant buys all his goods in California. Then the producer of raw materials gets a share, the transportation man gets something, the factory employe a very large portion, the manufacturer a small per cent, the tax collector his bill, and all turn it back into the state to be circulated within the state.

On the other hand, if the money this merchant spends for goods goes to an eastern state, it is forever lost to the producer, drayman, worker, manufacturer, the state and the town.

This, being true, let us buy from our people, from ourselves, here at home, here in California. For to keep money in circulation is life, but to send money out of town or out of the state is to bleed the town or state to death.

Again we say—buy at home.

NOTICE.

One hundred dollars (\$100.00) reward will be paid by the undersigned corporation for information resulting in the arrest and conviction of any person for the crime of unlawfully and maliciously taking down or removing any of its electric transmission lines in violation of Penal Code Section 593, or for the crime of larceny for stealing any such electric transmission line.

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ROYAL THEATRE

Program Week Commencing Sunday, February 20th:

Sunday—Gail Kane in "Her Great Match."
Monday—"The Golden Beetle," Keystone comedy.
Tuesday—Alma Hanlon in "Wild Oats."
Wednesday—High-class vaudeville and professional tryouts.
Thursday—Dustin Farnum in "Captain Courtesy."
Friday—Fifth episode "Red Circle" serial.
Saturday—Macklyn Arbuckle in "It's No Laughing Matter."

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J. G. Walker, Master.
H. F. Mingleford, Secretary.

Tippecanoe Tribe, No. 111, Impd. O. R. M., meets every Thursday evening at 8 o'clock in Metropolitan Hall. Visiting brothers welcome.
Chas. Dovin, Sachem.
Daniel Hyland, Chief of Records.

South City Aerie, No. 1473, F. O. E., meets every Tuesday evening in Metropolitan Hall, 8 o'clock.
Geo. E. Kiessling, Worthy President.
W. J. Smith, Secretary.
Visiting brothers welcome.

South City Lodge, No. 832, L. O. O. F., meets in Metropolitan Hall every Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Visiting brothers welcome.
C. J. Hyde, Dictator.
Henry Veit, Secretary.

Court Violet, No. 1453, Independent Order of Foresters, meets every Tuesday at 8 p. m. in Metropolitan Hall.
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GRACE EPISCOPAL CHURCH.

CALENDAR FOR THE WEEK.

Lord's Day.

10 a. m. Sunday school.
11 a. m. Communion will be celebrated by the Rev. J. O. Lincoln, who will also preach.

Monday.

2 p. m. Grace Church Guild meets in Guild Hall.

Tuesday.

7:45 p. m. Evening prayer with brief address.

Wednesday.

8 p. m. Men's Bible class meets in pastor's study. Direction of Mr. Joseph J. Goffnett. All men are welcome.

Thursday.

7:30 p. m. Choir practice in Guild Hall.

Friday.

7:30 p. m. Confirmation class meets in the church.

8:00 p. m. Guild dance in Guild Hall.

Saturday.

2 p. m. Altar Society meets in the church.

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WILL ATTEND TOURIST ASSOCIATION BANQUET

At the annual meeting and "Get-Together" banquet of the tourist association of central California, to be held in Oakland at the Hotel Oakland this evening, San Mateo county will be represented by a large delegation of boosters. The promotion work that is being carried on by the association will be discussed at the meeting, and at the banquet the delegates will relax and make merry.

It is estimated by the executive committee of the association that every county in central California will have a delegation present, and the bay counties will be represented by particularly large delegations.

Among those from San Mateo county who have announced that they will attend are M. Johnson of Montara, W. J. Martin of South San Francisco, A. P. Bellisle, F. L. Ekswold, Edmond Levy, C. M. Morse and T. Masterson of San Mateo, F. A. Cunningham of South San Francisco, H. C. Tuchsien and E. T. McGettigan of Redwood City and S. D. Merk of Burlingame.

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IS OUR HIGH SCHOOL PRINCIPAL A SMALL EATER?

San Francisco high school principals attended the state convention of high school principals recently. They were paid by the San Francisco board of education for expenses contracted by them while attending the convention, in various amounts from \$16 to \$19.40. At the meeting of the board the comparison of accounts provoked quite a ripple of applause and much badinage was indulged in over the teachers' appetites.

Principal Britton of this city contracted an expense of only \$15, which was paid by the local board of education. George, you are a big man for such a small appetite for eating.

LETTER LIST.

List of unclaimed letters at the post-office in South San Francisco, February 18, 1916:

Domestic—Cummings, Mrs.; Fondacabe, P.; Franceschi, Mrs. Isola; Petri, Mrs. Amelia; Petri, Mrs. Caterina.

Foreign—Ungaretti, Giuseppe.
E. E. Cunningham, Postmaster.

A few improved lots on Grand avenue for sale at a bargain. South San Francisco Land and Improvement Company. See John F. Mager, Sales Agent. Advt.

Lost—A small brown muff with three tails, Sunday evening, January 9th, at Dr. Keith's corner, Grand and Maple avenues. Suitable reward to the finder who returns to this office. Advt.

WILLI CALIFORNIA ADOPT PROHIBITION?

There is evidently a general misconception of the provisions of the second prohibition amendment to become effective January 1, 1918, if adopted.

Bismarck Bruck, president of the California grape protective association, gives the following information concerning this measure:

"The California campaign federation, or anti-saloon league, has created the impression that it is purely an anti-saloon measure. As a matter of fact, every legitimate avenue of distribution for wines in California, except the home, the cut off by its provisions.

"Section 1 of the amendment, in enumerating the places where alcoholic beverages shall not be kept, given away or sold, specifically mentions store, hotel, restaurant, cafe or club.

"This means that no hotel, restaurant or cafe could serve California wine with meals. No commercial body, fraternal organization or individual giving a public banquet at a place of public resort could offer wine to guests. No club could serve wine to its members. No summer resort could offer or give away wine to its patrons. No grocery store or family liquor store could sell wine in sealed packages not to be consumed on the premises."

SPLENDID ENTERTAINMENT.

The entertainment given last evening in Metropolitan Hall by the pupils of the grammar schools was a splendid affair. There was a large and appreciative audience and several encores were responded to.

Following was the program:
"Hickory, Dickory Dock".....First Grade
"Clown Dance".....Third Grade
"Box of Dolls".....
"Wooden Shoes".....Sixth Grade
Duet.....Anna Smith and Alice Wallace
"I See You".....
"The Swing".....Second Grade
"The Bandits".....
.....Seventh and Eighth Grades
Bandits—Bob, Albert Becker; Will, Lyle Woodman; Percival, Charles Mercks; Sidney, Frank Silva; Jim, Leroy Buswell; Stufem, James Wallace; Joe, Jack Hawes; Jack, Manuel Vierra; Ghost, Alex James.
Chorus—Teddy Fischer, Tommy Piva, Thomas Doak, Raymond Schenone, Mervin Mullen.
"Allegretta".....
.....Seventh and Eighth Grades

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Prayer meeting Wednesday evening, 7:30 o'clock.

Junior League, Wednesday afternoon, 4 o'clock. Miss Ivy Wilkinson, superintendent.

IMPROVING REDWOOD FIRE DEPARTMENT

A meeting of the delegates from the several hose companies, the hook and ladder company and the chemical engine of Redwood City fire department was held Thursday evening in the engine house on Main street. Fire Chief Ryan, First Assistant Julius Allain, Second Assistant Henry Beeger and Secretary A. S. Liguori were present, as were also Trustee E. H. Sampson, chairman of the fire and police commission.

The meeting was a very enthusiastic one and numerous matters were brought up and discussed that were of vital importance to the department in general. It was proposed to hold a quarterly meeting of all the members of the department. The delegates are to take this matter up with their respective companies and report back at the next meeting.

Trustee Sampson addressed the meeting and assured the fire department that it would have the entire support of the trustees, both morally and financially, in its efforts to build up a strong organization.

Chief Ryan reported that he had visited San Francisco Thursday and had inspected the new chemical which is being built for the Redwood City fire department. He stated that the work is progressing very fast and that the machine is well on the road to completion, with an excellent chance of being delivered on time.—Redwood City Democrat.

REDWOOD CITY NEWS.

Mrs. Nash, wife of Jos. H. Nash, candidate for the state senate, is recovering from an operation for appendicitis, performed last week at the Hahnemann hospital, San Francisco.

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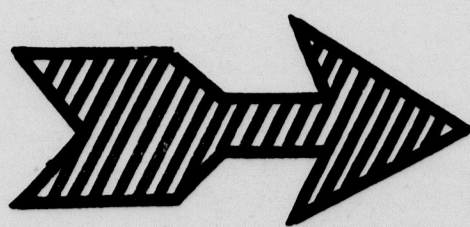
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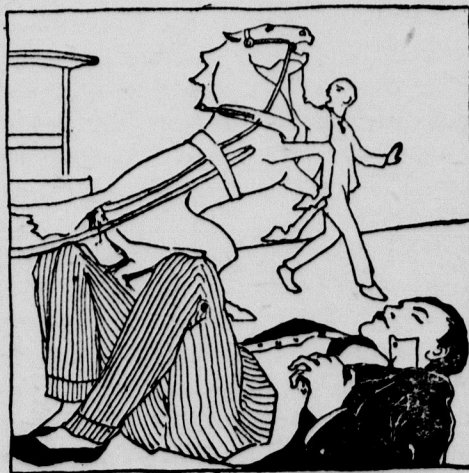
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Restored to Reason

It was September, and through the lovely Kentish roads, from West- ham far away to the seashore, tramped parties of hop-pickers.

Among these was a party of three, a man and a woman and a girl of about eighteen. Though the moon had been up two hours they yet trudged on, weary-footed, heedless, except the girl, of the beauties around them; she, occasionally lifting her head, seemed to drink in the sweet scents floating in the air.

Halting, and raising her arms above her head as for relief from the fatigue oppressing her, she said: "It's been a long tramp to-day; are we not going to rest?"

"Oh, you're findin' it out, are yer?" growled her male companion, short and clumsy built, with an expression resembling that of a bulldog. "No, we shan't stop for the next two hours."

"It's your own fault, you know," remarked the woman; "nobody asked you to come; you wasn't wanted."

"Maybe," replied the girl quietly; "but I've got to make my living, and I thought this way would be as good as any to turn an honest penny."

"Honest!" growled the man scornfully.

"You're going 'op-pickin'!" put in the woman—"you as might ride in your carriage."

"You are an idiot," exclaimed the man. "A precious mistake we made when we thought you'd be a fortin' to us."

"Yes, you did," was the answer; then, as they reached the top of the hill they had been toilsomely ascending, the girl, extending her arms, uttered a cry.

"What's the matter with you now? Are you mad?"

"It's—it's the sea!" she gasped. "It must be. How beautiful!"

Her figure, full and roundly molded, was slightly inclined; her red lips were parted; her large, dark, beautiful eyes were dilated with an expression of reverential wonder as they gazed on the vast expanse of waters beneath the moonbeams.

"Shall we go near it? Shall we?" she asked.

"Not by five miles. Come along; I thought you was tired."

The silence which again fell on the tramps was next broken by the beat of horse's hoofs coming rapidly along a side road. Before they were aware the rider had dashed round the corner and was upon them. The tramps sprang to the hedge, but before the girl could follow their example the horse had struck her, and she staggered and nearly fell.

"Can't you people keep to the right side of the road instead of straggling all over it?" he had begun, when he beheld the lovely face of the girl. In an instant he had sprung down to her side.

"I am very sorry. May I help you?" he exclaimed in concern.

It is nothing; I am not hurt. No, not at all," she answered. "I ought to have got out of the way."

"The fault was mine, but I didn't think any one would be in the lane at this hour."

"On'y tramps," snarled the man; "and a course it's nothin' for a gentleman such as you to smash a score or so on 'em. If you'd killed my gal, it 'ud only be one less for the parish to support."

The gentleman glanced from one to the other, but his looks dwelt longer on Janet. Could this girl be a tramp? Never had he seen a more graceful figure nor more charming features.

"All I can say is that I am sorry," he remarked, "and would gladly make compensation. There!" and he tossed a couple of half crowns to the man, "that will satisfy you, I suppose." Then he turned to Janet and continued in a lower, different tone: "You are very generous; far more than I deserve. I thank you. If I had hurt you I should never forgive myself."

And he rode away. Janet glanced after him. She was conscious of an agreeable feeling. Then she turned, attracted by the woman who was speaking.

"What an idiot you are, Bill! You

might have made all this blessed tramp go fur nuthin'! Are you blind? Didn't you see it was the son of Mr. Bridgnorth, whose hops we want to pick?"

"Was it? Whew! Never mind, old woman; he ain't likely to say anything about it, and I've five bobs to the good."

Bill Morris was right. Not only—had it not been for Janet—would Henry Bridgnorth have quite forgotten the incident, but the harvest of hops was plentiful that year, and pickers were in demand.

The Morrisses were instantly engaged and soon Janet found herself at work in pulling up the long poles and gathering the hops.

At first it was not easy, and hurtful to the hands, but Janet was not of a nature to give half services in anything, and she worked with a will. Besides, she was happy.

More than once she had thought of young Mr. Bridgnorth, and wondered if he ever visited the hop grounds, but that was all. Not so with Harry Bridgnorth himself. Janet had never been out of his mind since he had seen her. He told himself again and again that he had never beheld so lovely a creature.

"If I had seen her in a picture at the Burlington," he reflected, "the proud features, the ragged clothes worn with such dignified grace, I should have admired it, but laughed at the artist designing it 'A Tramp.' Surely such as she must have been the beggar maid who won the heart of King Cophetua."

Harry Bridgnorth, after a rather long search, came suddenly upon Janet. She was just finishing clearing a hop pole, and was alone. If he thought her handsome before, he found her more so now, with the red sunlight about her and the rich masses of black hair gathered neatly together low down at the back of her shapely throat.

As he stood admiring her, Janet presently looked up and saw him. A smile of recognition, free from embarrassment, came to her lips. She was glad to see him again.

"Still at work?" he remarked, advancing. "Surely there is no need, when the rest have ceased?"

"They work quicker than I can," replied Janet. "As yet I am new to hop-picking, but I try to do my best."

"Well, you have done enough for the present. I want you to tell me how you are. I might have hurt you very much."

"You might," she smiled frankly, without constraint meeting his earnest glance; "but you did not. I told you yesterday I was not hurt."

"Yes; else I don't think I should have slept," he rejoined. "I certainly should never have forgiven myself."

"Why not? It was not your fault. Perhaps you were riding too fast, but you did not expect any one to be in the lane, Mr. Bridgnorth."

"Assuredly not you. But you know my name?"

"My mother knew you. She has been here before."

"Your mother! Then they were your parents?"

"Yes," she smiled again; "why should they not be?"

"Because you are so different," exclaimed Harry Bridgnorth. "I can scarcely now credit it. You are so very unlike them."

"Perhaps I may change when I am as old as they and I have seen as much trouble," she remarked, with a light laugh.

"You?" he ejaculated. "You never could grow old like them. Do you know how beautiful you are?"

She looked at him with a half-sad, half-scornful expression.

"Oh, yes," she answered; "I have been told it enough—so often that I am sick of it. I know perfectly the value of that kind of flattery. Now, Mr. Bridgnorth, I must go, please; mother's waiting for me."

"One instant. Will you tell me your name?"

"Janet Morris."

"Then, Janet, believe me, for I am sure I understand your meaning; my words are not of the nature of those

flatteries to which you refer. You will not shun me; we may at least have a chat together when we meet? I think I might have killed you. Have I not a right to rejoice that you live? And I do rejoice indeed!"

This time the color rose to the girl's cheek, her long lashes fell; his tones were so soft and earnest that hers became less firm in consequence.

"You are very good. Indeed, I would not shun you; but really I must go now."

"Good-bye, then, Janet." And, after a glance around to make sure that no one was near, he extended his hand.

"Good-bye, sir," replied Janet, quietly, and not heeding his outstretched hand, she moved away.

Harry Bridgnorth watched until intervening hop-poles hid her; then went off thoughtfully in the opposite direction.

"Was King Cophetua an idiot or a wise man?" he pondered. "Surely the beggar maid was not so handsome nor so queenly as Janet Morris? I must see her again." And he did, daily.

Janet Morris had found that instead of the sea being five miles off it was not two, and when work was over in the twilight she would hurry to the shore. Harry Bridgnorth had discovered this, and not an evening passed that he did not meet her.

At first she had treated him distantly, but conscious of her power of self-protection, finally had yielded to his coming; indeed, soon began to look forward to their meetings as eagerly as he. It was very pleasant, seated with him on the seashore, listening to the break of the waves, or to his voice telling of so many things, or won into confidence by his pleasant manner, she herself relating episodes in her own wretched life, ignorant that her heart, which never yet had known love, was expanding now beneath its influence; and she, who had drawn back proudly, mistrustful of all who were her superiors, was confiding now.

One day Janet became aware of a commotion among the gatherers.

"What is it? Is anything the matter?" she asked of one standing by her.

"Don't you know? Ah, I forgot you haven't been here afore. It's only the mad lady."

"The mad lady!" ejaculated Janet. "Well, what is there wonderful in that? Ain't you never seen a mad person, eh?"

It was Bill Morris who spoke. He had come quickly to where Janet stood.

"Tell yer what, though, you'd better keep back, or them big eyes of yours, staring like that, will irritate the poor lady. They say as how if you stare at 'em it upsets 'em like scarlit do a mad bull."

Janet shrank behind the poles, not taking the trouble to doubt Bill Morris' assertion.

Her thoughts, indeed, were far otherwise occupied, for just then, advancing toward them, came the mad lady, a tall, handsome woman, attired in deep mourning that enhanced the delicate fairness of her complexion. Her years could not have been much above forty, yet her hair was white as snow, with a tinge of sunlight upon it. Her expression was mournful; but it was only when you caught the vacant look of the clear, gray eyes that you perceived reason was wanting.

Who was she? Could she be Harry Bridgnorth's mother? For it was upon his arm she leaned, and the likeness between them was great. Slowly she approached, turning her gentle gaze to every side, and ever and again murmuring, with a sad motion of the head, "Not yet; not come yet! Where—where? Not here!"

Then she passed on, and went slowly out of sight.

"Who is she?" Janet asked. "Is she Harry Bridgnorth's mother?"

"No; his aunt. Something long ago sent her crazy, and she allus comes once like that when the 'ops is being gathered. I don't mind; she's 'armless."

That evening Janet Morris learned the truth from Harry Bridgnorth.

Years ago his aunt, Mrs. Auckland, a young wife and mother, had her child stolen while staying with her brother, Mr. Bridgnorth. The nurse had taken it out as usual, and all that she remembered was that she had sat

down under a tree while the child played about. Overcome by the heat, she fell asleep.

"It was a lively little thing," concluded Harry Bridgnorth. "The only conclusion we could arrive at was that it had been stolen by gypsies. My poor aunt would have it that it was the hop-pickers, for it was the hop-picking season, and her brain gave way beneath her sorrow. When the hop-gathering time has arrived, she walks through the grounds that she shall find her child."

"Poor lady," murmured Janet. "It must indeed be hard to lose one you love."

Harry Bridgnorth looked hesitatingly down at her, as, seated on a portico of rock, she gazed seaward. Then, bending nearer, he said, "And you have never loved, Janet?"

She did not take the question in the meaning he intended it.

Shaking her head, she replied, sadly:

"Never! Who had I to love?"

He bent over her, his hand on hers.

"But, Janet, you are capable of love—surely, yes?"

She looked quickly up at him, waves of color dyeing her cheek, and strove to free her hand.

"You must hear me—I must speak!" proceeded Harry Bridgnorth, excitedly, passionately. "Janet, I love you!"

Her strove to place his arm around her waist; but, preventing him, Janet Morris rose. Inwardly she was agitated, but her voice, her manner, were calm and self-possessed.

"Hush, Mr. Bridgnorth," she said, "you must not talk so to me."

"And why not, Janet?" he pleaded. "Because the love I need, you must not give; and the love you may, I would not accept."

"The love I give you is honorable and true!" he cried, but she checked him.

"Hush!" she repeated; "we will part now. You do not consider what you say. When we meet again you will have had time to reflect."

"But not to change," he exclaimed, as she moved away.

Janet determined to return to London on the morrow, but before leaving she would take a last long look at the sea; and in the morning she stole away from the hop-grounds into the lane leading to the shore.

She had no fear of meeting any one at that hour.

On reaching the sands she gazed breathless with admiration. She had never seen the sea, which was tumbling rapidly in, with the sunshine dancing on the waves as now. How beautiful it was.

As she stood a piercing scream broke the stillness; turning, she beheld on the rocks of a headland close by, the mad lady. The waves were stealing up around the base, and had surprised her.

The water as yet was shallow, and Janet dashed through the waves and climbed to Mrs. Auckland's side.

"Do not fear; there is no danger," she exclaimed, soothingly. "Come with me, we can pass easily through."

But the mad woman, her wild look riveted on the rising wave, refused to stir. Fear was on her; she had even ceased to scream. All the heed she paid to Janet was to grasp her tightly with one hand, and point with the other to the rapidly rising sea.

"Look! look!" she screamed; "don't leave me! They are coming! It's death! Oh, Mabel, Mabel!"

In vain Janet implored, entreated, threatened; the mad woman would not stir. The girl saw that the sea was swirling around the rocks; soon it would be impossible to wade through it, yet she could not leave the poor mad woman, and called loudly for help.

The sound of her cries startled her companion; she turned, gazed wildly at Janet, then, with a shrill scream ending in hysterical laughter, fell insensible on the girl's bosom. Janet perceived that her case was now desperate. She had not the strength to drag Mrs. Auckland through the waves; she could hardly support her. Already the water broke about their feet.

Her brain reeled. Ah, 'tis a terrible thing to die thus. Yet the girl's beautiful face was firmly set. She waited death rather than leave the mad woman.

Again and again Janet raised her voice. Hark! Was that the shout of a man? Yes, yes; and there was the

sound of oars. A moment later a boat shot around the headland.

Their perilous position had been seen by Harry Bridgnorth from the heights, and he was one of the rowers.

"Courage, courage, Janet Morris!" he called, and seeing him she feared no longer. Silently she waited, and lent her aid to assist the mad woman into the boat; then, her hand in her lover's followed.

But after that her strength failed, and she fainted.

It was Mrs. Auckland who first recovered. Sitting up, gazing wildly around, she exclaimed:

"Where is she? Where—where has she gone?"

"Who, dear aunt?"

"Mabel—my child! I tell you I saw her just now! She tried to save me! Ah!" as, with a joyous cry, she beheld Janet; "she is here—my darling—found!"

And flinging her arms about the girl, she kissed her rapturously.

"Aunt, do you know what you say?" exclaimed her nephew.

"Yes, yes! Look Harry! Oh, yes! I am not mad now! Look! Eagerly she tore from her neck a locket containing a miniature of her husband. "Harry, that is her father; do you think I, her mother, could be deceived?"

"The likeness is wonderful. Oh, if it were so! But, aunt, this girl's parents live?"

"You mean the wretches who stole her from me," cried Mrs. Auckland, fiercely, clasping Janet to her. "Have them arrested, for I tell you this is my child—my darling."

As Harry Bridgnorth reflected and contrasted Janet with Janet's parents, a wild hope possessed him that the shock of the striking likeness, aided by maternal affection, had restored his aunt's reason. He determined using his father's authority as magistrate to secure Bill Morris directly Mrs. Auckland and the amazed, bewildered Janet had been conveyed to the house.

But Bill Morris himself had witnessed that scene in the boat and had decamped; thus only his wife was secured, and frightened by her arrest, infuriated by her husband's desertion, the woman confessed all.

Struck by the child's beauty, they enticed it away, such a child being at that time needed by a woman in London. On the Morrisses' return there, however, they found the woman in the hands of the police, so had to keep the child, making a tolerable market out of her beauty, which ever obtained alms from the charitable.

"Till she grew up," concluded Mrs. Morris, indignantly. "Then she'd only do what she liked, and a hand we 'ad with her."

"You see I was not wrong," exclaimed Mrs. Auckland. "Mabel, dearest, you hear you are mine—my child!"

"Mother!" murmured the girl, timidly, yielding to her embrace.

That evening Harry Bridgnorth whispered to Mabel:

"Dear cousin, do you remember that I said my love could never change? What do you reply now?"

"That I am not yet fitted to be your wife. I have so much to learn."

"And when learned?"

"Need you ask?" she murmured, with a blush.

Legends of the Red Rose.

As to the origin of the rose there is a legend that a Jewish maid of Bethlehem (whom Southey names Zillah) was beloved by one Ham'ull, a brutish sot. Zillah rejected his suit, and Ham'ull vowed vengeance. He gave out that Zillah was a demoniac, and she was condemned to be burned, but God averted the flames, the stake budded, and the maid stood unharmed under a rose tree full of red and white roses "then first seen on earth since paradise was lost."

From other sources it would appear that the rose was first white, and the Turks say it was colored with the blood of Mohammed and will never suffer the flower to lie on the ground, while, contrary to this, the Greeks hold that it derived its color from the blood of Venus when she trod on a thorn of the white when going to the assistance of the dying Adonis.

Scientists are unable to tell the earth's age exactly; their estimates range from 10,000,000 to 40,000,000 years.

FRATERNAL ORDERS

I. O. F.

(By George W. Hagedorn.)

Court Violet, No. 1453, Independent Order of Foresters, held a brief but pleasant business meeting.

No meeting will be held next Tuesday evening, being Washington's birthday, February 22d.

Demands from South San Francisco whist players have been acceded to, and on Tuesday evening, March 7th, the last whist party before Lent will be held in Metropolitan Hall.

The Independent Order of Foresters is an establishment founded on the benevolent intention of extending and conferring mutual happiness upon the best and truest principles of moral life and social virtue. It is a successful science, only obtained in any degree of perfection by time, patience and industry.

Fraternalism is like a cultivated field, of which a few acres produces more of what is useful to life than extensive provinces even of the richest soil when overrun with weeds and brambles.

Charity in adversity is patient, in prosperity temperate, in hospitality bountiful, but, while charity is a debt of mercy or piety, provide yourself while in good health against charity.

The causes of many of our misfortunes are in the living beyond their means, believing that to-day we live and to-morrow will take care of itself.

Every member of a fraternal organization joins for the benefits that can be bestowed upon his fellow-man, as well as for the individual self. How many members attend the meetings of their organizations, how many visit the sick and needy? Who is the one who expects the most attention when sick?

All members should attend their meetings regularly, as their duty demands it. It is your individual business, the same as your home, and become acquainted with the individual, make friendship stronger, love more lasting and be an aid to those who are looking for the welfare of fraternalism.

Of all the gifts which heaven bestows, There is one above all measure, And that's a friend 'midst all our woes,

A friend is found a treasure.
To thee I give this sacred name,
For thou art such to me;
And ever proudly will acclaim
To be a friend of thee.

Fraternal Notes.

(By Harry Edwards.)

A lot of trouble may be avoided by refraining from buying an automobile on a wheelbarrow income.

Deeds of mercy more precious are—
In the new year's unwritten calendar,—
Than pomp and honor and glory bought
By a cruel deed or an unkind thought.

The best team on the farm, or business, or the home, is a man and wife working in harmony for the welfare of their children and the good of the community.

Giving a man "Hall Columbia" just because you do not agree with him on some matter of little importance is not very manly. It hurts him, but it harms you ten times more.

If you hear something bad about one you have trusted, don't be in a hurry to turn in and condemn him. It may not be true. Find out. It is a queer question that has not two sides. Stick to your friend just as long as there is anything to stick to.

The policy of fraternal orders is to "ever help and never harm its members."

All the world should be at peace,
But if kings must show their might,
Why, let those who make the quarrels
Be the only ones to fight.

There is none—
In all the cold and hollow world; no
fount

Of deep strong, deathless love
Save that within a mother's heart.

Harvesting ice is heavy work. We

don't have to do it in South San Francisco.

The fraternal harvest comes in every month, like the tree that produces fruit every month, for the healing of its people and its leaves are for the healing of the nations. We are doing our part by the way social affairs are patronized for those who are in need. This shows the true fraternal spirit reigns in South San Francisco.

Turn back and read all the advertisements in this paper. Perhaps you missed one or two that are of special interest and value.

NOBODY SMILES
NOW IN GAY PARIS

Victor Murdock, the fighting progressive congressman from Kansas, backer of Roosevelt and Johnson, is in Paris, writing leaders to his paper, the Wichita Eagle, on war conditions. Murdock tells, in the extract from one of his letters given below, of the remarkably dismal aspect that has been taken on by once gay Paris.

Paris, December 15, 1915.

My Dear Folks: I suppose if I could pop back home again in a second and be sitting a minute hence among you, the first question everybody would ask would be this: "How does the war look close up?"

I should answer, "It is a matter of perspective," and then I should explain something like this. If you stand a good long distance from a hill, the road looks steep and short; if you go up close to it, the road flattens a good deal and becomes long.

A view of the war looks like that. A man who reads the newspaper accounts at home, gets the big events thrown at him in gobs from all quarters of the globe. He gets the accents of war only. The man who moves up close to it, is under the shadow of it, as they are here in Paris, also has the humdrum of it and the hardships. Out on the front itself, a few miles distant, both humdrum and dragging hardships are emphasized. I have talked to many men just from the trenches, men with the trench mud still on their boots, and it is their testimony which is conclusive to me.

This is pretty hard to believe at first blush. And one of the reasons for that is the power of dramatic narrative which most of us were born with. The man who comes into Paris from the trenches feels that something in the narrative line is expected of him. And it is. The minute he gets away from the long, low hill, it looks again sharp and steep to him. If you go to England from France, you change your perspective again and you are expected to regulate your view to those across the channel, who are, comparatively, quite out of the fighting. And when you move back to America, you are called upon to dispose of a battle in two or three sentences.

I get this idea from my experiences here and in England and in articles I read. I suppose that there are thousands of people in Kansas and Oklahoma who believe from what they have read that here, just back of the battle line, the city streets are full of cripples. So many writers say so. The streets in the vicinity of the hospitals and ambulances are. But the avenues as a whole do not present this picture. There are wounded men, hundreds of them, armless, legless and the blind, and they present a moving sight, but they are comparatively few among the thousands of soldiers who are whole and the civilians. As a matter of fact, war, on this nearer view, presents another aspect and one that is difficult to describe, because outside of actual conflict, it has few accents.

About the first thing that strikes you is that nobody smiles. This was once the gayest city in the world. It is not so now. Virtually all of it is in bed around 10 o'clock, and, as you associate levity with night life, you can put the gay Parisian down as non-existent. And the daylight activities of the people also show the disappearance of a lighter temperament, supposed to be French. I haven't see a gesticulating or a quarreling Frenchman since I came. It is considered "bad form." In an

underground train the other day I heard a young woman break out into an audible laugh, and everybody turned and looked at her. There are very few men clerks in stores. Their places have been taken by the women in black, and as a rule these do not even muster the professional smile of the salesmen the world over. It is impossible to exaggerate this profound popular absence of lighter workaday emotions. It gets horribly on an alien's nerves. In the garden of the Tuilleries, just across the way from here, is a children's playground. They romp and yell over there like young savages, and when I want to rest up I go over to listen to them.

POSTAL RULES VIOLATED
BY MANY PHYSICIANS

Many physicians in California who send specimens of blood, tissue, sputum, etc., to the laboratories of the California state board of health fail to observe the United States postal regulations for mailing such specimens. The California state board of health at its last meeting issued a warning to persons who fail to comply with the rules. Since violators are subject to prosecution by the government, it is important that the regulations be followed closely.

Only the regular mailing outfits furnished by the California state board of health should be used. These are obtainable at drug stores in most towns of California, where depositaries for the free distribution of such outfits to health officers, physicians and veterinarians are maintained.

At these stores mailing outfits may be obtained for forwarding sputum from suspected cases of tuberculosis, sterile swabs for use in suspected cases of diphtheria, outfits for dried blood from suspected cases of typhoid fever, smears of blood from suspected cases of malaria, blood and serum from suspected cases of syphilis, smears of pus from suspected cases of gonococcus infection, and feces from suspected cases of hookworm disease.

The danger of handling specimens packed in leaking bottles and in handling dogs' heads, possibly infected with rabies, which are mailed wrapped in a single paper, is very evident, and must be discontinued at once.

Impossible.

Little Willie had got himself into trouble. He had thrown a big stone at the parish priest and injured his eye.

That same night his father took him in his arms, the whole six years of him, and told him to ask God to forgive him for what he had done. He reminded Willie that God was a witness of all his actions.

"Could God see me in Mrs. Johnson's garden when I threw that stone at the priest, dad?" asked Willie.

"Certainly, Willie," replied his father. "He did see you."

"Strange," answered Willie, with a provoking grin. "I never was in Mrs. Johnson's garden, because she ain't got one."

Could Use Shovel.

There was a sudden rush of work and the foreman was short of laborers. Going out into the road, he found a muscular-looking tramp loafing on the corner. Here was a possible recruit.

"My man," said he generally, "do you want work?"

"What sort of work?" asked the tramp cautiously.

"Well, can you do anything with a shovel?"

The tramp suddenly beamed at the speaker.

"I could fry a slice of bacon on it," he said eagerly.

Modest.

"Do you think the hand that rocks the cradle rules the world?"

"Sometimes," replied Mr. Meekton; "but not when Henrietta goes downtown and leaves me to look after the house."

ORDINANCE NO. 88.

An Ordinance Regulating Public Dances and Dancing Entertainments, and Providing a Penalty for the Violation Thereof.

The Board of Trustees of the City of South San Francisco do ordain as follows:

Section 1. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to hold or conduct any public dance, dancing party or dancing entertainment, or any party or entertainment of which dancing forms a part, later than the hour of twelve

o'clock, midnight, on any Saturday night of the week.

Section 2. It shall be unlawful for any person or persons to be present at any public dance, dancing party or dancing entertainment, or any party or entertainment of which dancing forms a part, later than the hour of twelve o'clock, midnight, on any Saturday night.

Section 3. It shall be unlawful for the owner, tenant, or lessee of any hall or building to permit or allow any public dance, dancing party or dancing entertainment, or any party or entertainment of which dancing forms a part to be held or conducted in such hall or building later than the hour of twelve o'clock, midnight, on any Saturday night of the week.

Section 4. Any person or persons who shall violate any provision of this ordinance shall be guilty of a misdemeanor, and upon conviction thereof shall be punished by a fine of not less than Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.00) and not exceeding Fifty Dollars (\$50.00), or by imprisonment not exceeding thirty (30) days, or by both such fine and imprisonment.

Section 5. This ordinance shall be published once in "The Enterprise," a weekly newspaper printed and published in the City of South San Francisco, and shall take effect and be in force from and after the expiration of thirty (30) days after the date of its passage.

Introduced the 7th day of February, 1916.

Passed and adopted as an ordinance of the City of South San Francisco at a regular meeting of the Board of Trustees of the City of South San Francisco held on the 7th day of February, 1916, by the following vote:

Ayes, Trustees F. A. Cunningham, J. H. Kelley, J. C. McGovern, George H. Wallace and G. W. Holston.
Noes, Trustees none.
Absent, Trustees none.

Approved: G. W. HOLSTON,
President of the Board of Trustees of the City of South San Francisco.

Attest: WILLIAM J. SMITH,
City Clerk.

NOTICE OF ELECTION.

Notice is hereby given that, whereas, there was heretofore and on the 24th day of January, 1916, duly presented to and filed with the Board of Trustees of the City of South San Francisco, a municipal corporation in the County of San Mateo, State of California, a written petition signed by over one-fifth in number of the qualified electors of said municipal corporation, and upon the number of votes cast at the last general municipal election held therein, asking that the hereinafter described new territory be annexed to, incorporated in and made a part of said municipal corporation, and asking and proposing that the boundaries of said City be altered accordingly; and further asking that there be submitted to the qualified electors of said municipal corporation, and to the qualified electors residing in the aforesaid territory proposed by said petition to be annexed to said municipal corporation, the question whether such new territory shall be annexed to, incorporated in, and made a part of said municipal corporation, and that such proposition and question be submitted at a special election to be held for that purpose, and no other, and that said Board of Trustees call such special election and cause to be given thereof, as provided by law; and

Whereas said Board of Trustees duly considered said petition and received evidence in support thereof, and duly found that said petition was in proper form, and was so signed, and thereupon called said election and directed this notice to be given;

Now, therefore, a special election has been and is hereby called, and will be held on Monday, the 13th day of March, 1916, for the purpose of submitting to, and at which there will be and is hereby submitted to the qualified electors of said municipal corporation, to-wit, said City of South San Francisco, and the qualified electors, residing in the new territory so proposed by said petition to be annexed to said municipal corporation, and which territory is hereinafter particularly described, the following proposition, to-wit: The proposition and question whether such new territory so proposed to be annexed to said municipal corporation, shall be annexed to, incorporated in, and made a part of said municipal corporation.

And notice is further given that the new territory so proposed to be annexed to said municipal corporation and which is sought by said petition to be so annexed, and which is above referred to, is bounded and specifically described as follows, to-wit:

All that certain territory, and parcel of land situated, lying and being contiguous to the City of South San Francisco, and in the County of San Mateo, State of California, and particularly described, as follows, to-wit:

Beginning at a point on the dividing line between sections 22 and 23, township 3 south, range 5 west, M. D. M. said point being 150 feet north of the granite monument set 10 chains north of section corner common to sections 22, 23, 26 and 27, of township 3 south, range 5 west, and running thence northwesterly to a point that is distant south 84 degrees 58 minutes west, 760.33 feet from the granite monument which is set for the most northerly corner of the lands of the Western Meat Company; thence north 37 degrees 47 minutes east 1201.07 feet; thence north 61 degrees 13 minutes east 242.2 feet to the line of the right of way of the Selby Smelting and Lead Company; thence easterly along said southerly line of said right of way to the dividing line between sections twenty-two (22) and twenty-three (23) township 3 south, range 5 west; thence north to a point that is distant fifty (50) feet from the shore line of the San Francisco Bay; thence easterly and southerly to a point that is due west of the southwest corner of tide lot number twenty-three (23) south, range five (5) west, thence due east to the dividing line between the counties of San Mateo and Alameda; thence southerly along said dividing line to a point that is due east of the point where the easterly boundary of tide lot number ten (10) of section twenty-three (23) intersects the shore line of San Francisco Bay; thence due west to a point that is fifty (50) feet westerly at right angles to the southerly line of the right of way of the smelter railroad; thence easterly and southerly along the line distant fifty (50) feet from and parallel to said southerly line of the right of way of the said railroad to a point that is due east from the point of beginning; thence due west to the point of beginning.

And notice is further given that it is proposed to annex to, incorporate in, and make a part of said municipal corporation the territory so sought to be annexed, and which is specifically described and bounded as above set forth.

Said election shall be held and conducted in conformity with the general election laws of the State of California, governing is so far as the same may be applicable to such elections.

For the purposes of said election, said City of South San Francisco has been and is divided into two (2) election precincts designated as "Special Annexation Election Precinct No. 1" and "Special Annexation Election Precinct No. 2" respectively. Special Annexation Election Precinct No. 1 shall contain all the territory contained in South San Francisco Precinct No. 1, and South San Francisco Precinct No. 2, as said precincts are described in that certain ordinance entitled Ordinance No. 276 of the Board of Supervisors of the County of San Mateo, State of California, Dividing said County of San Mateo into Election Precincts, and Establishing the Boundaries thereof, passed and adopted by the Board of Supervisors of said County of San Mateo, on the 6th day of December, 1915; Special Annexation Election Precinct No. 2 shall contain all that territory contained in South San Francisco Precinct No. 3 and South San Francisco Precinct No. 4, as said precincts are described in said Ordinance No. 276 of the Board of Supervisors of said County of San Mateo.

In said Special Annexation Election Precinct No. 1 the polls shall be held at the South San Francisco Fire House at No. 415 Grand Avenue in said City of South San Francisco; the judges shall be Mary E. McGraw and Leslie C. Kelley, and the inspector shall be Mary Maule. In Special Annexation Election Precinct No. 2 the polls shall be held at No. 310 Linden Avenue, in said City of South San Francisco, and generally known as the "City Hall"; the judges shall be M. Foley and Sarah Ingram, and the inspector shall be Richard Harder.

For the purposes of said election, the new territory above described, and which it is proposed to annex to said municipal corporation, shall constitute one election precinct for the qualified electors residing in said new territory so proposed to be annexed, which said precinct is hereby denominated "Special Annexation Election Precinct No. 3."

In said "Special Annexation Election Precinct No. 3" the polls shall be held at the place and the election conducted as aforesaid by the judges and inspector hereinafter named as follows, to-wit: The polls in said precinct shall be held in the dwelling house of Manuel Rogers and the judges shall be Manuel Rogers and Mable Hyde and the inspector shall be Domenico Medeghini.

In said City of South San Francisco and in said precinct in said new territory so proposed to be annexed, the polls shall be opened at six o'clock a. m. of the day of election, and shall be kept open until seven o'clock p. m. of the same day when said polls shall be closed.

And the qualified electors of said municipal corporation of South San Francisco and the qualified electors of said new territory so proposed to be annexed, as hereinbefore described, are invited to vote upon such proposition of the proposed annexation of said territory to said municipal corporation of the City of South San Francisco by placing upon their ballots the words "For Annexation" or "Against Annexation," or words equivalent thereto.

The manner of voting for or against the proposition whether such new territory shall be annexed to, incorporated in, and made a part of said municipal corporation shall be as follows, to-wit: A sufficient number of ballots shall be and is hereby directed to be prepared and caused to be printed upon the proper kind of paper used at such elections in said State by the Clerk of said City, and shall be furnished and provided for the use of the voters at said special election at the expense of said City and said ballots shall have the following printed matter thereon, in addition to any other matter which may be required by law, to-wit:

MUNICIPAL TICKET.

Special Election submitting to the qualified electors the proposition whether the new territory proposed to be annexed to the City of South San Francisco, by the petition filed the 24th day of January, 1916, with the Board of Trustees of said City shall be annexed to, incorporated in and made a part of said municipal corporation.

FOR ANNEXATION

AGAINST ANNEXATION

Any voter who desires to vote in favor of said proposition to annex, incorporate in, and make a part of said municipal corporation the said territory so proposed to be annexed may do so by stamping a cross (X) in the voting square of the ballot to the right of and opposite the words "For Annexation," and after such ballot shall have been so stamped and shall be deposited in the ballot box it shall be canvassed and counted, as provided by law, as a vote in favor of said proposition to annex said new territory.

Any voter who desires to vote against said proposition of annexing to, incorporating in, and making a part of said municipal corporation the said new territory so proposed to be annexed may do so by stamping a cross (X) in the voting square of the ballot to the right of and opposite the words "Against Annexation," and after such ballot shall have been so stamped and shall be deposited in the ballot box, it shall be canvassed and counted, as provided by law, as a vote against said proposition to annex said new territory.

And it is further ordered that any voter who desires to vote for and in favor of said proposition of annexing to, incorporating in, and making a part of said municipal corporation the said new territory so proposed to be annexed, may do so at said election, as stated in said form of ticket, by stamping a cross (X) in the voting square of the ballot to the right of and opposite the words "For Annexation," and after such ballot shall have been so stamped and shall be deposited in the ballot box, it shall be canvassed and counted, as provided by law, as a vote in favor of said proposition to annex said new territory.

Any voter who desires to vote against said proposition of annexation, incorporating in, and making a part of said municipal corporation the said new territory so proposed to be annexed, may do so at said special election, as stated in said form of ticket, by stamping a cross (X) in the voting square of the ballot to the right of and opposite the words "Against Annexation," and after such ballot shall have been so stamped and shall be deposited in the ballot box, it shall be canvassed and counted, as provided by law, as a vote against said proposition to annex said new territory.

This notice is issued this 7th day of February, 1916, by order of the Board of Trustees of the City of South San Francisco, duly made and entered this 7th day of February, 1916.

BOARD OF TRUSTEES OF THE CITY OF SOUTH SAN FRANCISCO.
By F. A. CUNNINGHAM,
By J. H. KELLEY,
By J. C. MCGOVERN,
By GEORGE H. WALLACE,
Members of the Board of Trustees.
G. W. HOLSTON,
President of the Board of Trustees.
Attest: WILLIAM J. SMITH,
City Clerk.
2-12-5t

CALIFORNIA NEWS ITEMS IN BRIEF

Mount Lassen is in plain sight for the first time in three weeks.

There are only two streets in Fairfield that are graded and macadamized.

The City Trustees of Yreka have introduced a very stringent jitney ordinance.

One hundred citizens of Pomona have undertaken to call a bond election for \$200,000.

Cracksmen broke into the safe of the Southern Pacific depot at Napa and obtained \$20.

It is given out at Willows that not less than 2000 acres will be sown to rice this year.

George Nunley, a negro, was arrested in Sacramento for having drugs in his possession.

The Spalding ranch near Willows is to be made into an immense rice plantation, according to present plans.

Gridley's \$7,500 Carnegie public library is completed. The structure is of semi-Mission type of architecture.

Complaint is made that the highway in Butte, as now constructed, is about useless so far as service is concerned.

Robert Burns, a youthful hiker from Eureka, Cal., arrived in San Francisco a few days ago with 7,822 miles to his credit.

The Assessor of Napa county has been urged to increase assessment valuations to the end that the tax rate may be lowered.

Henry Thorsen of San Mateo possesses a Leghorn hen which laid an egg measuring eight and a half inches in circumference.

The steamer Robert Dollar was sold a few days ago to the Japanese government at a profit said to be more than \$1,000,000.

With picking and packing of oranges at full swing in every district, shippers around San Bernardino are facing a shortage of cars.

About 100 delegates attended the twenty-sixth annual convention of the Sacramento district Epworth League convention in Stockton.

It is learned that Kelly Hancock will be appointed Superintendent of the United States Fisheries to succeed Captain G. H. Lambson.

Railroad men report that copper cables on the third rail of the tracks between Woodland and Elkhorn have disappeared mysteriously.

Many Arbuckle raisin growers are signing up at these prices: Thompson Seedless, \$150 per ton; Sultana Seedless, \$140; Muscat, \$100.

The Southern Pacific Railroad Company has made a formal application for a retail liquor license in Nevada county to sell liquor on its trains.

The Supervisors of Napa have passed an order authorizing Architect W. H. Corlett to prepare plans and specifications for a Hall of Records.

The Susanville Supervisors at a special session, repealed the coyote bounty ordinance as the drain proved more than the treasury could stand.

The plan to purchase a new motor-driven fire engine for the city of Chico was defeated by a vote of three to two by the board of city trustees.

All the jewels said to have been taken from Mrs. Clara Baldwin Stocker, of Los Angeles by Mrs. Leotia K. Northam have been recovered.

The ill wind that blew floods and damage into San Diego also blew thousands of idle men work at good wages repairing the damage caused.

The first annual convention of the Ice Cream Manufacturers' association of California opened in Fresno, with delegates from all parts of the state.

Taking time by the forelock, Commissioner James R. Williams and City Attorney Hoodenpyl are conferring on a bathing suit ordinance for Long Beach.

The Grass Valley Cannery is to be operated this year, and another assessment of \$1 per share has been levied to provide a working fund to start the season.

Henry Cavagnaron has been appointed humane officer of Napa. Recently he forced S. Navro, rancher from Brown's Valley, to unhitch a horse and lead the animal home.

Exhibits are being rushed into the buildings at the Panama-California International Exposition at San Diego, following the delay caused by impaired transportation.

Colonel J. K. Ritter, who had charge of the special days at the Exposition, joined the San Francisco staff of the Santa Fe Railway a few days ago as a passenger agent.

Great amounts of opium are said to have been lost in the recent Tia Juana

floods when the water swept away hundreds of cans buried in the river bed by smugglers.

Alexander T. Vogelsang of San Francisco has been nominated by President Wilson as Solicitor of the Department of the Interior, succeeding Preston C. West of Oklahoma.

This week every student in the Los Angeles public schools is to be required to sign a pledge that he or she will not join any secret society while attending high school.

The Imperial Irrigation District will have the management of the canal system at once, while title to the California Development properties is not expected before six weeks.

Secretary H. S. Maddox says the directors of the Yolo County Fair Association will plan to hold the 1916 fair and race meet a week or two before the State Fair in Sacramento.

The body of Mrs. Curtis, who died ten days ago in Graniteville, has been placed in a rough box and packed in snow until it can be taken to Nevada City, where interment will be made.

T. B. McKeldy, field organizer of the California Peach Growers, Inc., was in Chico and met with Butte county peach growers for the purpose of establishing a branch of the association there.

Mrs. Arizona McConnell, widow of Chester McConnell, a teamster, who was killed while in the employ of the county of Merced, has been awarded \$1800 by the State Industrial Accident Board.

A shipment of 14,500 almond trees was unloaded at Arbuckle this week. This is the first large shipment of almond trees to be received there this year and will be sufficient to plant 290 acres.

A novel means of keeping the streets of Westwood, Lassen county, open during the winter has been adopted by the Red River Lumber Company, which has constructed a gigantic snow roller for breaking snow.

Prior to issuing orders fixing a maximum wage, hours and conditions in the fruit and vegetable canning industry, the State Industrial Welfare Commission held a public meeting when it heard from both sides.

The snow blockade is working temporary havoc with newspapers of Alturas. Some time ago the papers placed regular orders for paper, but the supply is tied up somewhere between Alturas and San Francisco.

The S. P. has received notice that beginning with March 8th a new rate will be given on salt from Bay City points to points in Nevada. This rate will be 15 cents per 100 pounds based on a minimum of 50,000 pounds.

Acting on the belief that the assessed valuations throughout Yuba county are too low, members of the grand jury appeared before the supervisors and asked that something be done toward reassessing property in the entire county.

John W. Sward of Los Angeles is in Tulare taking personal charge of the plans for the development of 3200 acres of his ranch property south of that city situated in the Wasco district, which he is to put out to rice the ensuing spring.

The board of town trustees of Fairfield has called a special election to vote upon the proposition of issuing bonds in the sum of \$45,500 as a means of raising funds to bear the expense of improving the unimproved streets of the town.

An engineer retained by District No. 10, north of Marysville, is laying out the district in 40-acre tracts, preparatory to the arrival of a colony of two hundred Scandinavians from the East. The big influx of settlers resulted from a church movement.

California is about to fall heir to a fortune, as State Controller John S. Chambers has requested Attorney General Webb to commence necessary legal action to have thirteen counties turn over to the State unclaimed or escheated estates, valued at \$48,416.66.

After months of disagreement the fire delegates told the Grass Valley trustees that they had agreed to the idea of two light trucks at a cost of \$3700 for the fire department and would abandon their fight for one large standard auto truck that would cost \$6000.

A statement that the California Highway Commission has no more bonds for sale and can do no new construction work was the answer given a Butte county delegation when it appeared before the Highway Commissioners to urge the latter to carry out their contract.

State Treasurer Friend W. Richardson is sending out another call to San Francisco seawall bondholders to apply for their money at the state treasury. The bonds ceased to draw interest January 2, 1916, but Richardson cannot get bondholders entitled to some \$43,000 to call and collect their money.

A tong war in which four men were shot, one fatally, broke out in the Chinese quarter of San Francisco

when a gang of young Chinese, members of the Suey Ong tong, entered a Chinese theatre and forcibly took the seats in which a number of Suey Sing men were enjoying the show.

John H. Putnam, who is being sought by postoffice inspectors in connection with conspiracy to defraud investors in mining stocks by illegal use of the mails, has been identified as Dr. J. Grant Lyman, convicted in 1914 in Los Angeles for mail swindles and sentenced to two years' imprisonment.

M. I. Thomas, who was employed as assistant to the manager of the David Jack Corporation with headquarters at Monterey, filed an action in the United States District Court against the company for one month's salary, \$500, and \$5000 claimed as bonus. The David Jack Company is a Nevada Corporation. Thomas resides at Pacific Grove.

Every citizen should register so he can vote at the coming elections. Be prompt and not wait until too late. For school election you must be registered before March 7th, and city election before March 10th.

SAN MATEO COUNTY'S CHANCE.

For once in many years San Mateo county has an excellent chance to secure the state senate. Jos. H. Nash is the one candidate from this county who is a sure winner. Several other estimable young men from this county aspired to the office, but all have apparently given up making the race. None of them were sure of being elected and might easily have thrown the senatorship to Santa Cruz county or San Benito county. Their withdrawal reassures the election of Nash. Likewise Santa Cruz county's favorite sons have become lukewarm and will probably fail to toe the mark when the race actually starts. The Santa Cruz candidates would not withdraw if they had a weaker man than Nash to meet.

San Mateo county has had but one state senator in its history (Senator Burns) and that was many years ago. It is high time the honor was being accorded once more to this part of the senatorial district.

We have differed with Jos. Nash politically and have had extended debates with him, written and oral, but Nash is a fair fighter, clean cut and intelligent. He is made up of good stuff and will be a factor in the halls of legislation. All of these things could not be said of the present state senator, though we impute no wrongdoing to him. He was rather more guilty of the sins of omission than of commission. Another and the determining factor in choosing Nash as our candidate is the fact that Nash has joined forces with the republican party and announces his candidacy as a republican. We are republican in politics and will support the candidates for state office of that political faith. We believe the people of San Mateo county will agree with us for the most part that Jos. H. Nash will make an excellent representative in the state senate, and will accord him their support.—Burlingame Advance.

CALIFORNIA ONCE IMPORTANT COAL PRODUCING STATE

The records of the state mining bureau if California show a production of coal in California as early as 1861. At that time it was one of the sixteen coal-producing states and, relatively, of some importance as a coal producer. During the latter part of that decade and throughout the following decade the coal production of California exceeded 100,000 tons annually and reached a maximum of 236,950 tons in 1880. Since 1881 the production has been irregular, having been influenced chiefly, up to the beginning of the present century, by the imports of Australian and British Columbian coals, the receipts of Australian coals depending principally upon the wheat production and shipments from the Pacific coast. Since 1900, however, according to the United States geological survey, with the great increase in the production and use of petroleum which began in that year, coal production in California has fallen off.

The fiber of manila hemp varies in length from six to twelve feet and occasionally attains a length of eighteen feet. It is said to possess greater tensile strength than any other fiber known.

MERELY SWATTING THE FLY WON'T DO, EXPERT DECLARES

Dr. Henry Skinner of Philadelphia, who has made a study of flies, says there is not an article of evidence to support the popular belief that flies hibernate in warm houses, and that the great swarms of each summer are the offspring of the adult survivors of last year's brood.

Two years ago Dr. Skinner first advanced his theory that flies live throughout the winter in the pupal or grub stage, and not as developed insects. Flies caught and examined in the early spring by Dr. Skinner in every instance have been newly developed insects, and never old ones from the previous season.

According to Dr. Skinner's theory, mere "swatting" will not exterminate the fly. It is necessary to find the grubs and destroy them, if the multiplication of the usual spring swarm is to be prevented.

In presenting renewed evidence of his views, which Dr. Copeman and Dr. Austin of England obtained, Dr. Skinner says:

"They sent out appeals for specimens. From January 19th to April 27th, last year, they received fifty-eight consignments of flies, representing fifteen species. They gave an extensive tabulated report of the specimens received, which is very interesting and instructive. Their conclusion follows: 'Results obtained from a number of recent investigations afford no support to the belief that house flies hibernate in England in the adult state.'"

Whale of a Wallop.

A very demure-looking Salvation Army lassie, who was traveling in a railway train, was asked by a man sitting next her whether she believed every word in the Bible.

"Yes," she replied, "I do."

"Surely," exclaimed the man, "you don't believe that Jonah was swallowed by a whale?"

"I do," she answered, "and when I get to heaven I'll ask him about it."

"But suppose he's not in heaven?" inquired the stranger, with a sneer.

"Then you ask him!" was the Salvation Army girl's reply.

That Was His Grievance.

The two motor cars had almost collided and one of the drivers was expressing his opinion of the other with great freedom.

"What's the matter with you?" demanded the other. "What are you making all this fuss about? We haven't hurt you or your car. You can't bring an action against us, you know."

"I know I can't, sir—I know I can't!" shouted the truculent one. "That's just my point!"

In True Proportion.

He (rapturously)—Miss Sweetheart dances as lightly as the ocean foam.

She (sweetly)—Indeed she does, and her head is just as light as her heels.

Harvest Time in Shantung.

Now, come and see a harvest in Shantung. Here, too, it is the time of supreme interest to the whole family. Life in the country is practically measured by so many wheat harvests, and every old man and woman hopes to live to see one more. For weeks before all plans are made with reference to it. Carpentry, masonry, work of every kind must either be finished before "pulling wheat time," or laid aside at that time to wait until the harvest is over. No matter how important in the eyes of a foreign resident the work in hand may become, he cannot beg or buy his workmen to continue when once the wheat is ripe. In the hospitals all the patients want to get well by wheat pulling time. Some must stay on, but many a one incapacitated in hand or foot for real work goes home to take his or her place in "watching the gate," that all the rest of the family may go to the field and threshing floor.

June and Matrimony.

The first people to adopt the month of June as sacred to Hymen, the god of marriage, were the ancient Romans, who considered June the most propitious season of the year for entering upon matrimonial relations. The Romans held that June weddings were likelier to be happier than alliances contracted in any other month of the year, especially if the day chosen were that of the full moon or the conjunction of the son and moon. They also held that of all months May was most to be avoided, as in that month newlyweds would come under the influence of spirits adverse to happy households. These ancient marriage superstitions were retained by the Christians in the middle ages, and even to-day June is considered by many to be pre-eminently the month of marriages.

Evidently He Had.

Robert was having a very successful career at college. He had scored the winning touchdown in the big game of the year and was mentioned by the experts for the All-American team. But Robert's father was not satisfied.

"I'm afraid, my son," said he, "that you are not making good use of your time at college. I hear very unsatisfactory reports about your work."

"Gee whiz!" exclaimed Robert, "you must have been talking to one of the professors."

As the globe rotates, one-half is always exposed to sunlight and the other half always immersed in darkness.

He (as the team goes by)—Look! There goes Ruggles, the halfback. He'll soon be our best man.

She—Oh, Jack! This is so sudden.

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